

Economics 312  
Project #8 Assignment

Spring 2020  
Due: 11:59pm, Monday, April 27

*Dataset and introduction*

The dataset `fish_proj.dta` contains data for 97 days of sales at New York's Fulton Fish Market.

The variables are defined in the table below:

<i>t</i>	Numerical time index
<i>ltotqty</i>	Log of total quantity sold
<i>lavgprc</i>	Log of average price per pound
<i>mon – thurs</i>	Dummies for days of the week (Friday omitted)
<i>speed2</i>	Minimum of wind speed of past 2 days
<i>speed3</i>	Three-day lag of maximum wind speed
<i>wave2</i>	Average max wave height of last 2 days
<i>wave3</i>	Average max wave height of 3 and 4 days ago

The variables for wave height and wind speed are not very clearly defined in the data source; they are included to indicate adverse fishing weather over the last two or three days.

*Assignment*

We seek to estimate the elasticity of the demand for fish at the market. Consider which variables should affect demand and which should affect supply, then specify and estimate a demand curve using appropriate methods. (You do not need to estimate a supply curve.)

Your report should include the following sections:

1. Introduction and basic assumptions
2. Specification of the econometric model
3. Results
4. Analysis and interpretation